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J. Richard Collier, General Counsel
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

**RE: United Cities Gas Company, a Division of Atmos Energy Corporation Incentive Plan
Account (IPA) Audit
Docket No. 01-00704**

Dear Mr. Collier:

On July 25, 2002, United Cities Gas Company filed a petition for discovery in this matter and a request for additional time to respond to the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division's motion for summary judgment. I am authorized to state for the TRA Staff participating as a party and on behalf of the Consumer Advocate that neither of these parties objects to your granting additional time for United Cities to respond. We request that this be a reasonable time taking into consideration that this matter is set for hearing at the end of August.

Additionally, the TRA Staff has no objection to United Cities' petition for discovery or the setting of a discovery schedule.

Sincerely,

Jon Wike
Attorney for TRA Staff Participating as a Party

cc: Joe Connor, Attorney for United Cities Gas
Tim Phillips, Attorney for Consumer Advocate and Protection Division